State of California AIR RESOURCES BOARD

EXECUTIVE ORDER D-182-7 Relating to Exemptions Under Section 2~156 of the Vehicle Code

WALKER MANUFACTURING "3-WAY CATALYTIC CONVERTER"

WHEREAS, Vehicle Code Section 27156 and Title 13 California Code of Regulations (hereafter "CCR") Section 2222(h), authorize the California Air Resources Board (ARB) and its Executive Officer to exempt new aftermarket catalytic converters from the prohibitions of Vehicle Code Section 27156.

WHEREAS, Walker Manufacturing of 3901 Willis Road, P.O. Box 157, Grass Lake, Michigan 49240 has applied to the ARB for exemption from the prohibitions in Vehicle Code Section 27156 for their new aftermarket 3-way catalytic converter for fuel injected vehicle application up to 3.8L and 3,875 lbs. test weight, using the following part numbers:

Converter Type

Universal Part No.

<u>Direct-Fit Part No.</u>

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15150,15151

15549,15550,15551,15552 15553,15566,15568,15584

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority vested in the Executive Officer by Health and Safety Code Section 39515 and in the Chief, Mobile Source Division by Health and Safety Code Section 39516 and Executive Order G-45-5, the Air Resources Board finds that the above aftermarket catalytic converter complies with the California Vehicle Code Section 2715f and Title 13, California Code of Regulations Section 2222(h). Emission performance of the catalytic converter was based on durability mileage accumulation of 25,000 miles using the AMA durability driving schedule (Reference Appendix IV, Title 40, part 86, Code of Federal Regulations (June 28, 1977)).

IT IS MEREBY RESOLVED that the above catalytic converter is exempt from the prohibitions in Vehicle Code Section 27156 for installation on the approved application vehicles subject to the following conditions:

1. No changes are permitted to the converter as described in the application for exemption. Any changes to the converter or any of its components, applicable model year, or other factors addressed in this order must be evaluated and approved by the Air Resources Board prior to marketing in California.

Marketing of the converter using identifications other than those shown in the exemption application or marketing of the converter for application other than one listed in the application catalog shall be prohibited unless prior approval is obtained from the ARB. Exemption of this product shall not be construct as an exemption to sell, offer for sale, or advertise any components of the converter as individual devices.

- 3. Any oral or written references to this Executive Order or its content by Walker Manufacturing, its principals, agents, employees, distributors, dealers, or other representatives must include the disclaimer that the Executive Order or the exemption it provides is not an endorsement or approval of any emissions reduction claims for the catalytic converter and is only a finding that the converter is exempt from the prohibitions of Vehicle Code Section 27156.
- 4. Upon installation, the catalytic converter must carry a manufacturer's warranty for 25,000 miles on the substrates and 50,000 miles or five years on the shell.

Violation of any of the above conditions shall be grounds for revocation of this order. The order may be revoked only after ten day written notice of intention to revoke it, during which period the holder of the order may request in writing a hearing to contest the proposed revocation. If a hearing is requested, it shall be held within ten days of receipt of the request, and the order may not be revoked until a determination is made, after the hearing, that grounds for revocation exist.

Executed at El Monte, California, this 29th day

R.B. Summerfield

Assistant Division Chief Mobile Source Division

day of February, 1992.